

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, January 27, 2005.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Robert F. Quinn, C.S.P., Chaplain of the House, as follows:

Prayer.

Gracious God, each day we try to serve You and people whom we represent in a faithful and honorable manner. Inspire us to use our talents, legislative and personal experiences and our knowledge of the legislative accomplishments and even failures in a mature and productive manner. Teach us to open our hearts to You and our minds to the ideas and suggestions of others, constituents and colleagues. In prayer, we ask for the gifts of wisdom which enables us to select our goals more clearly, for the intellectual and moral courage to follow right reason in making decisions and compassion in dealing with all people.

Grant Your blessings to the Speaker, the members and employees of this House and their families. Amen.

Pledge of
allegiance.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Silent Prayer.

Silent
Prayer.

At the request of Representatives Balser of Newton, Kaufman of Lexington, Khan of Newton, Rogeness of Longmeadow, Smizik of Brookline and Rushing of Boston, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent prayer to the memory of the Jewish and other peoples who were victims of the Nazi Holocaust on this, the sixtieth anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were considered forthwith, under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Rodrigues of Westport; and they were adopted, as follows:

Barry
Kipnes.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Jones of North Reading) congratulating Barry Kipnes on the naming of the North Reading High School basketball court in his honor;

Ken
O'Keefe.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Keenan of Southwick) commending Ken O'Keefe and the staff of Hawthorne Hotel;

Robert J.
Coonan.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Kocot of Northampton) celebrating the fortieth anniversary of Father Robert J. Coonan Ordination;

Charles
Ouimette.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Kocot of Northampton) congratulating Charles Ouimette on the occasion of his retirement;

Steven
Sechoka.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. O'Brien of Kingston) congratulating Steven Sechoka on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. O'Brien of Kingston) congratulating Kathleen Marie Stefani on the occasion of her retirement as a captain from the Massachusetts State Police.

Kathleen
Marie
Stefani.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DiMasi of Boston,—
Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

Mr. Wallace of Boston then moved that when the House adjourns, it do so in respect to the memory of John E. Flaherty, a member of the House from Boston from 1941 to 1946, inclusive; and the motion prevailed.
Accordingly, at nine minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Falzone of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.